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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicants: Bläse et al.  
Serial No.: 09/819,574  
Filed: March 28, 2001  
For: MEMBRANE MODULE  
Art Unit: 1724  
Examiner: Krishnan Menon

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**Box Non Fee Amendment  
COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS  
Washington, D.C. 20231**

Dear Sir:

**AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL FORM**

Transmitted herewith is an Amendment and letter to Draftsman with drawing in the above-identified application.

Petition for extension of time pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.136 and 1.137 is hereby made if, and to the extent, required. The fee for this extension of time is calculated to be \$ \_\_\_\_\_ to extend the time for filing this response until \_\_\_\_\_.

The fee for any change in number of claims has been calculated as shown below.

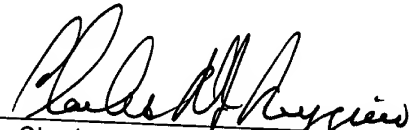
CLAIMS AS AMENDED						
	Claims Remaining After Amendment		Highest Number Previously Paid	Present Extra	Rate	
Total Claims	12	Minus	20	0	x \$18.00	\$
Independent Claims	3	Minus	3	0	x \$84.00	\$
MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM FEE				x \$280.00 = \$		
TOTAL FEE FOR CLAIM CHANGES				\$0.00		

The total fee for this amendment, including claim changes and any extension of time is calculated to be \$ 0.00 .

\_\_\_\_\_ A check in the amount of \$ 0.00 is attached.

X The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees under 37 C.F.R. §§1.16 and 1.17 which may be required with this communication or during the entire pendency of the application, or credit any overpayment, to **Deposit Account No. 01-0467**. A duplicate copy of this Form is enclosed.

November 27, 2002  
Date



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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated August 28, 2002,  
Applicants respond as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please amend the paragraph beginning at page 6, line 18 as  
follows:

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The so-called permeate--arrow 7--enters into space 8, which  
surrounds filter elements 1.1, 1.2, 1.3 and exits again from the  
main part 2.1 of housing 2 through the outlets 2.1.2, 2.1.3 at  
arrow 6.